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APPLICANTS: Hunziker *et al.*

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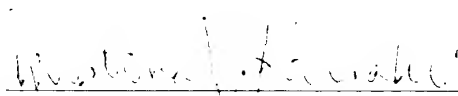
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants request a petition for a three-month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) in which to respond to the final Office Action mailed May 1, 2003. With the extension, the response is due on or before November 3, 2003 (November 1, 2003 being a Saturday). Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$475.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 17811-014 CIP. A duplicate of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,


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